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SUBJECT: NORWEGIAN LICENSING CONTROLS OF FLATBED PLOTTERS

1. USG CURRENTLY HAS UNDER REVIEW APPLICATION TO EXPORT A FLATBED PLOTTER FOR USE IN PRODUCTION AMONG OTHER THINGS OF PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD MASKS TO AN EASTERN EUROPEAN BLOC DESTINATION. USG HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT GENERALLY COMPARABLE EQUIPMENT PRODUCED BY NORWEGIAN FIRM, A.S. KONGSBERG, HAS BEEN EXPORTED TO EASTERN BLOC DESTINATIONS. U.S. COMPANY IDENTIFIED PLOTTER AS ESSI KONGSBERG MODE 1215 FLATBED PLOTTER.

2. IN VIEW OF AMBIGUITY THAT CURRENTLY EXISTS IN COCOM OVER EMBARGO COVERAGE OF THIS TYPE OF EQUIPMENT AND IN ORDER TO ASSIST USG LICENSING OFFICIALS TO ARRIVE AT APPROPRIATE DECISION IN THIS CASE, EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO ASCERTAIN FROM NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ANSWERS TO FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ON EXPEDITIOUS BASIS:

A) DO NORWEGIAN LICENSING OFFICIALS CONSIDER THE ESSI KONGSBERG MODEL 1215 FLATBED PLOTTER COVERED BY ITEM IL 1355(B)(5) ON THE COCOM EMBARGO LIST? IF NOT, WHY NOT?

B) DO NORWEGIAN OFFICIALS CONSIDER ANY PHOTOPLOTTERS TO BE CONFIDENTIAL

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3. INFORMATION FURNISHED US BY U.S. COMPANY LISTS A TOTAL OF 10 KONGSBERG PLOTTERS IN EAST GERMANY, POLAND, AND CZECH-OSLOVAKIA. ADDITIONALLY, U.S. VISITORS TO POLAND HAVE SEEN A KONGSBERG PLOTTER AT UNITRA, IN WARSAW. THE LATTER IS A MANUFACTURER OF SEMI-CONDUCTOR DEVICES, AND WOULD THEREFORE UTILIZE THIS MACHINERY FOR THE KINDS OF PRODUCTION THAT CAUSE THE MACHINERY TO BE UNDE COCOM CONTROL. COULD YOU DETERMINE IF NORWEGIAN AUTHORITIES ARE AWARE OF SHIPMENT OF THE PLOTTER TO POLAND, AND IF THEY ARE WILLING TO PROVIDE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE TRANSACTION. BROWN

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